Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Monday 23 Nov 2020 until 23:59 on Tuesday 24 Nov 2020

Forecast Issued on Sunday 22 Nov 2020 at 15:11 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for deteriorating conditions during Monday and rain for a time on Tuesday. Also high confidence for drier, colder weather returning for Wednesday and Thursday.

Headline for Monday 23 Nov 2020: Dry start. Rain later in morning and during afternoon, snow on tops. Cold and windy.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 23 Nov 2020

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
Low Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow showers (night)	Light snow showers (night)	Cloudy	Cloudy	Sleet	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain
Precipitation probability							
30%	30%	20%	20%	40%	60%	60%	40%

Forecast for Monday 23 Nov 2020

Weather: Clear periods during the night with a few wintry showers. Dry, bright start to Monday then cloudy with rain reaching hills close to West Coast later in morning. Rain will move eastwards in the afternoon, preceded by snow above about 900m. Rain will become heavy, especially over Skye, Torridon and hills of Knoydart with extensive hill fog. Staying drier over Caithness hills.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 60% during morning decreasing 20% in afternoon, mostly in east of area. Clouds above many of the hills at first, coming well down the hills by the afternoon.

Visibility: Good at first and pockets of good visibility persisting in east. Otherwise becoming misty with very poor visibility in the afternoon as rain and snow becomes heavier.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	29/36 SW	32/40 SW	40/50 SW	49/63 SW	47/61 S	46/60 S	30/41 SW	30/41 SW	28/38 SW
900	27/34 SW	29/37 SW	37/48 SW	47/61 SW	43/57 S	42/56 S	28/39 SW	29/40 SW	26/37 SW
600	18/25 SW	19/28 SW	26/37 SW	35/48 SW	30/43 S	31/44 S	21/31 SW	21/32 SW	18/29 SW
300	5/26 SW	4/26 SW	8/36 SW	12/45 SW	8/41 S	8/43 S	7/31 SW	6/31 SW	5/27 SW
Glen	9/20 SW	10/25 SW	14/31 SW	16/35 S	18/39 S	20/43 S	13/30 SW	12/28 SW	11/26 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-1/-8	0/-8	1/-8	0/-9	-0/-10	1/-7	2/-5	2/-5	1/-6
900	0/-7	1/-7	2/-6	1/-8	0/-8	2/-6	3/-4	3/-4	2/-5
600	2/-3	3/-3	4/-2	3/-4	3/-4	4/-2	5/-0	5/-0	4/-1
300	4/2	5/3	6/3	6/2	5/2	6/4	7/5	7/5	6/4
Glen	7/4	8/5	8/5	8/4	7/3	8/4	9/6	9/6	9/6
Freezing Level*	900m	1100m	1100m	1000m	1200m	1600m	1400m	1300m	1100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Strengthening winds over higher ridges/summits with temperatures close to freezing making it feel bitterly cold. Rain and sleet during afternoon increasing the chill effects.

Forecast for Tuesday 24 Nov 2020
Weather: Mainly cloudy with further outbreaks of rain, snow above about 800m. The rain and snow will be mainly in south of area with the north Highlands staying mostly dry with bright spells.

Maximum wind: Less windy with southwesterly winds of 20 to 30mph and gusts 40mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 50% in north of area but little chance in south. Here clouds will be extensive at around 600 to 700m. Cloud bases will be higher in north.

Visibility: Poor for much of the time in south of area but good visibility at times in the north.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 2 Celsius
Freezing level: 1200m lowering to 1000m.

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